109TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 1308

To amend title 10, United States Code, to establish a combat badge for helicopter medical evacuation ambulance (Medevac) pilots and crews.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 15, 2005

Mr. Holden introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. ESTABLISHMENT OF COMBAT MEDEVAC
- 4 BADGE.
- 5 (a) ARMY.—
- 6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 357 of title 10,
- 7 United States Code, is amended by adding at the
- 8 end the following new section:

1 "§ 3757. Combat Medevac Badge

- 2 "(a) The Secretary of the Army shall issue a badge
- 3 of appropriate design, to be known as the Combat
- 4 Medevac Badge, to each person who while a member of
- 5 the Army served in combat on or after June 25, 1950,
- 6 as a pilot or crew member of a helicopter medical evacu-
- 7 ation ambulance and who meets the requirements for the
- 8 award of that badge.
- 9 "(b) The Secretary of the Army shall prescribe re-
- 10 quirements for eligibility for the Combat Medevac
- 11 Badge.".
- 12 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-
- tions at the beginning of such chapter is amended
- by adding at the end the following new item:

"3757. Combat Medevac Badge.".

- 15 (b) NAVY AND MARINE CORPS.—
- 16 (1) In General.—Chapter 567 of title 10,
- 17 United States Code, is amended by adding at the
- 18 end the following new section:

19 "§ 6259. Combat Medevac Badge

- 20 "(a) The Secretary of the Navy shall issue a badge
- 21 of appropriate design, to be known as the Combat
- 22 Medevac Badge, to each person who while a member of
- 23 the Navy or Marine Corps served in combat on or after
- 24 June 25, 1950, as a pilot or crew member of a helicopter

- 1 medical evacuation ambulance and who meets the require-
- 2 ments for the award of that badge.
- 3 "(b) The Secretary of the Navy shall prescribe re-
- 4 quirements for eligibility for the Combat Medevac
- 5 Badge.".
- 6 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-
- 7 tions at the beginning of such chapter is amended
- 8 by adding at the end the following new item:
- "6259. Combat Medevac Badge.".
- 9 (c) AIR FORCE.—
- 10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 857 of title 10,
- 11 United States Code, is amended by adding at the
- end the following new section:
- 13 "§ 8757. Combat Medevac Badge
- 14 "(a) The Secretary of the Air Force shall issue a
- 15 badge of appropriate design, to be known as the Combat
- 16 Medevac Badge, to each person who while a member of
- 17 the Air Force served in combat on or after June 25, 1950,
- 18 as a pilot or crew member of a helicopter medical evacu-
- 19 ation ambulance and who meets the requirements for the
- 20 award of that badge.
- 21 "(b) The Secretary of the Air Force shall prescribe
- 22 requirements for eligibility for the Combat Medevac
- 23 Badge.".

1	(2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-
2	tions at the beginning of such chapter is amended
3	by adding at the end the following new item:
	"8757. Combat Medevac Badge.".
4	(d) Award for Service Before Date of Enact-
5	MENT.—In the case of persons who, while a member of
6	the Armed Forces, served in combat as a pilot or crew
7	member of a helicopter medical evacuation ambulance dur-
8	ing the period beginning on June 25, 1950, and ending
9	on the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the
10	military department concerned shall issue the Combat
11	Medevac Badge—
12	(1) to each such person who is known to the
13	Secretary before the date of enactment of this Act
14	and
15	(2) to each such person with respect to whom
16	an application for the issuance of the badge is made
17	to the Secretary after such date in such manner
18	and within such time period, as the Secretary may
19	require.